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**PATENT** 

### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Argenbright

(SILV.P01)

Serial No. 09/910,964

Group Art Unit: 3624

Filed: July 20, 2001

Examiner:

For: Online Investment Trust Creation and Management

### PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner to make this application special, and to thereby advance this application out of turn for examination as soon as possible,<sup>1</sup> on the grounds that an infringing method is currently in use in the market.

Applicant encloses his Statement in which he alleges that a method infringing one or more of the claims in this case is currently in use. As set forth in that Statement, Applicant has made a rigid comparison of the alleged infringing method with the claims in this application, and that, in his opinion, some of the claims in this application are unquestionably infringed by that method. Also as set forth in that Statement, Applicant states that he caused a careful and thorough search of the prior art to be made, prior to the filing of this application. The results of that search have previously been cited to the Patent and Trademark Office in this application.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 37 C.F.R. §1.102(d).

Applicant therefore respectfully submits that the requirements of the Patent and Trademark Office regarding the advancement of applications for examination out of turn are met by this Petition and the accompanying Statement.<sup>2</sup> The fee for this Petition<sup>3</sup> is enclosed with this Petition.

Applicant therefore respectfully requests that this application be made special, and advanced out of turn for examination as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> MPEP §708.02.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> 37 C.F.R. §1.17(h).



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# STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL

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Dear Sir:

# I, Stephen Argenbright, hereby state:

- 1. I am the Applicant of this application, and am the sole inventor of the invention claimed in this application.
- 2. I allege that there is a method currently on the market and in use that infringes one or more of the claims in this application.
- I have myself made a rigid comparison of this alleged infringing method, and in my opinion, one or more of the claims in this application are unquestionably infringed.
- 4. I have caused a careful and thorough search of the prior art to be made. This search was made prior to the filing of this application, and the references

discovered in that search have been previously provided to the Patent and Trademark Office in this application.

5. Further Applicant sayeth naught.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen G. Argenbright

**Applicant** 

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